## OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR MUSGROVE

FROM: FELICIA GAVIN

RE: HB 337 COMMENTS

**DATE:** APRIL 9, 2002

Current law requires Eminent Scholars grant recipients to apply during their senior year of high school. This bill expands the application period to three years following high school. This will enable students who met the qualification requirement but for any reason did not apply during their senior year to now receive Eminent Scholar grants. Some students may have not attended college immediately after high school and others may have not been aware of the scholarships or were simply neglectful. The intention of keeping the most talented students in Mississippi colleges remains the same.

This is a good bill. I recommend signing the bill.